IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

BECKLEY DIVISION

VIKKI REDDEN,

v.

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 5:14-cv-27757

MONITRONICS INTERNATIONAL, INC., and DOES 1-10, inclusive,

Defendants.

ORDER

The Court has reviewed Defendant Monitronics International, Inc.'s *Motion to Dismiss* and *Compel Arbitration* (Document 17), the attached exhibit (Document 17-1), and the *Memorandum in Support of Motion to Dismiss and Compel Arbitration* (Document 18). The motion to dismiss and compel arbitration was filed on April 10, 2015. To date, the Plaintiff has not filed a response.

The Plaintiff alleges in her *Complaint* (Document 1) that Monitronics made repeated prerecorded calls to her cellular telephone to attempt to collect a debt, in violation of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act and the West Virginia Consumer Credit and Protection Act. Monitronics asserts that the parties contractually agreed to resolve any claims or disputes through arbitration. It attached a contract, signed by the Plaintiff, that includes an arbitration clause.

Following careful review of the contract, and in the absence of a response from the Plaintiff contesting the validity or applicability of the arbitration clause, the Court finds that the dispute in

this matter is covered by a valid arbitration agreement. This matter must, therefore, be resolved

pursuant to the provision of that agreement and in accordance with the Federal Arbitration Act

(FAA).

Accordingly, the Court **ORDERS** that Defendant Monitronics International, Inc.'s *Motion*

to Dismiss and Compel Arbitration (Document 17) be GRANTED. The Court ORDERS that

this matter be **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**.

The Court **DIRECTS** the Clerk to send a copy of this Order to counsel of record and to any

unrepresented party.

ENTER:

June 4, 2015

IRENE C. BERGER

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA